WEB PAGE THUMBNAILS AND USER CONFIGURED COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PROVIDED FROM A SERVER

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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The present application is related to copending U.S. 6,356, 908, now US Patent No. 6,356, 908, Patent Application Serial No. 69/364,694, IBM Docket No. TP/9/11/06 AT9-99-057 entitled "Automatic Web Page Thumbnail Generation"), U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09 364,696, now patent No. 6,405,192, (IBM Docket No. AT9-99-101 entitled "Navigation Assistant" 6,405,192, (IBM Docket No. AT9-99-101 entitled "Navigation Assistant - Method and Apparatus for Providing User Configured Complementary Information for Data Browsing in a Viewer Context"), U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/364,693, now abandoned, (IBM Docket No. AT9-99-086 entitled "Method and System for Providing a Graphical Tree View of Web Pages"), and how abandoned, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/364,695 IBM Docket No. AT9-99-087 entitled "Web Page Thumbnails with Active 9/11/06 Hot Links") filed even date herewith. The above mentioned patent applications are assigned to the assignee of and share the same inventors as the present The content of the cross referenced copending applications are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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Technical Field: The present invention relates to an improved computer system and in particular to computer software and more particularly to web browser software. Still more particularly, the present invention provides a method and apparatus for filtering and previewing data.